

REMARKS

In the Notice mailed November 2, 2006, the Examiner indicated that the statement that the substitute specification filed on August 15, 2006 contained no new matter as required by 37 CFR 1.125 was not included.

In reviewing the Amendment filed on August 15, 2006 it is noted that a statement regarding no new matter was included on page 2 but was omitted from the Remarks of the Amendment.

By way of this Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants' Attorney is notifying the Examiner that the Substitute Specification filed on August 15, 2006 does not contain new matter. The Substitute Specification and marked-up copy of the specification are not being resubmitted at this time.

In view of the above submission, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for examination. Accordingly, an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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